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J. Mark STEBER, et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 9, 2004, having a shortened statutory period  
for response set to expire September 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as  
follows:

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Petition for Extension of time is attached hereto. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.
- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- ☒ The fee for claims is calculated below.

	CLAIMS AS AMENDED				ADDITIONAL	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	16 -	16 =	0 x	\$ 18.00 =	\$	0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0 x	\$ 86.00 =	\$	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			N (Y/N)	\$ 290.00 =	\$	0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>					<b>\$</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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